

## THE SCHOOL SYSTEM

### Standards<sup>4/</sup>

Numerous institutions and accrediting agencies have published long lists of standards which cities and towns should consider before constructing and while operating educational facilities. Only the principal standards which closely relate to the situation in Star will be noted here. These are:

- a) That school plants should be near the present and expected populations, free from the nuisances created by railroads, factory smoke, noisy enterprises and strip commercial developments;
- b) That elementary schools should be within 30 minutes walking distance and not further than three miles. A high school is best situated within 45 minutes walking distance and not further than one and a half miles. Access should be over improved roads and elementary schools should not be adjacent to a major thoroughfare;
- c) That the site size should be related to the number of students. The recommended relationship for elementary and high schools is presented in the chart below:

No. of Pupils	200-400	500	600	800	1,000
Necessary acres required by Elementary School	10	12	12	15	24
Necessary acres required by High School	12	14	16	20	24

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<sup>4/</sup> Based upon recommended standards of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction.